## Tamworth Economic Development Commission Agenda January 9, 2024 6 PM

The Tamworth Economic Development Commission should strive to attract, grow, and retain businesses in Tamworth. The Commission is charged with the following responsibilities (Revised & Adopted 2/2021):

1. Supporting new and existing businesses:

Promoting a supportive climate and required resources attractive to business.
Coordinating and hosting town economic development events with local businesses, professionals, and organizations.

– Supporting the local employment base

2. Helping to enable business growth:

– Making realistic recommendations to the town that enable the well-being and growth of its business base.

– Identifying and partnering on other initiatives supportive of strong core business capabilities.

3. Coordinating regionally to support the town's business base:

 Coordinating town economic development activities with surrounding towns
Working with regional and state resources, programs and initiatives to support the town's business base.

4. Educating and enhancing opportunity awareness for local businesses leaders: – Identifying local, state, or federal initiatives and/or programs available to enable local business success.

– Hosting economic development events to help publicize and educate business leaders on opportunities that can support the health and wellbeing of the town's business base.

Commissioners and others present:

Steven Schaeffer, Wyatt Berrier, Greg Hufford, Mary Phelps, Kelly Goodson

Members of Public: Pam Hearn, Diana Lewis, Linda Cook, Melanie Streeter, Tamara Spencer, Adam Cunningham, Barb Bloomberg

6:05 Call to order

Alternates – Mary Phelps and Kelly Goodson

Minutes from previous meeting approved

All public attendees were asked to share their names, why they were at the meeting, and what their opinion was in regards to the future of the TEDC.

Board and Public discussed the nature of the TEDC and appropriate next steps.

After much discussion, Wyatt made a motion that TEDC be dissolved, the budget zeroed out, outstanding bills covered, and ensure that the website is not costing any money. Kelly Seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Board members and public citizens in attendance all formally recognized the hard work and many accomplishments of the TEDC over the years. Steven Schaeffer was asked to inform the Select Board of the dissolvement of the TEDC, and let it be known that if the need were to ever arise in the future to resurrect the TEDC to assist the town in a tangible way, with the right number of enthusiastic individuals, the Commission could be reborn.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:50 pm